



## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[EPA-HQ-ORD-2020-0675; FRL-9147-01-ORD]

### **Availability of the Draft IRIS Toxicological Review of Perfluorobutanoic Acid (PFBA) and Related Compound Ammonium Perfluorobutanoic Acid; Extension of Public Comment Period**

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

**ACTION:** Notice of public comment period; extension.

**SUMMARY:** The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is extending the public comment period for the document titled, “Availability of the Draft IRIS Toxicological Review of Perfluorobutanoic Acid (PFBA) and Related Compound Ammonium Perfluorobutanoic Acid.” The original *Federal Register* document announcing the public comment period was published on August 23, 2021.

**DATES:** The public comment period for the notice published on August 23, 2021 (86 FR 47100), is being extended. The EPA must receive comments on or before Monday, November 8, 2021.

**ADDRESSES:** The “Availability of the Draft IRIS Toxicological Review of Perfluorobutanoic Acid (PFBA) and Related Compound Ammonium Perfluorobutanoic Acid” is available via the Internet on IRIS’ website at <https://www.epa.gov/iris> and in the public docket at <https://www.regulations.gov>, Docket ID: EPA-HQ-ORD-2020-0675.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For information on the public comment period, contact the ORD Docket at the EPA Headquarters Docket Center; telephone: 202-566-1752; facsimile: 202-566-9744; or email: [Docket\\_ORD@epa.gov](mailto:Docket_ORD@epa.gov).

For technical information on the IRIS Toxicological Review of Perfluorobutanoic acid (PFBA) and Related Compound Ammonium Perfluorobutanoic Acid, contact Ms. Vicki Soto, CPHEA; telephone: 202-564-3077; or email: [soto.vicki@epa.gov](mailto:soto.vicki@epa.gov). The IRIS Program will

provide updates through the IRIS website (<https://www.epa.gov/iris>) and via EPA's IRIS listserv.

To register for the IRIS listserv, visit the IRIS website (<https://www.epa.gov/iris>) or visit <https://www.epa.gov/iris/forms/staying-connected-integrated-risk-information-system#connect>.

#### **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

How to Submit Technical Comments to the Docket at <https://www.regulations.gov>

Submit your comments, identified by Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-ORD-2020-0675 for the Perfluorobutanoic Acid (PFBA) and Related Compound Ammonium Perfluorobutanoic Acid IRIS assessment, by one of the following methods:

- [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov): Follow the on-line instructions for submitting comments.
- E-mail: [Docket\\_ORD@epa.gov](mailto:Docket_ORD@epa.gov).
- Fax: 202-566-9744. Due to COVID-19, there may be a delay in processing comments submitted by fax.
- Mail: U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, EPA Docket Center (ORD Docket), Mail Code: 28221T, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Washington, DC 20460. The phone number is 202-566-1752. Due to COVID-19, there may be a delay in processing comments submitted by mail.

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*Instructions:* Direct your comments to docket number EPA-HQ-ORD-2020-0675 for Perfluorobutanoic Acid (PFBA) and Related Compound Ammonium Perfluorobutanoic Acid. Please ensure that your comments are submitted within the specified comment period. Comments received after the closing date will be marked “late,” and may only be considered if time permits. It is EPA's policy to include all comments it receives in the public docket without

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